

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

MAY 1, 2014 - 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of annual notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG and a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, SERVING HOME AND ABROAD

ROLL CALL

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SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

NEW JERSEY STATE ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE (NJSACOP) –
Award of Accreditation / Police Department

R1:05/01/14 Appointment of Probationary Police Officer – Christopher Hoffmann

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
 - Open Space
 - Environmental
 - Recreation
 - Historical
 - Board of Health
5. Fire
6. Laws/Ordinances

REPORTS - OTHER:

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief
9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator

During the conduct of the meeting, unless a Public Hearing is held or the Regular Order of Business is waived, the audience does not participate. A Public Portion is held prior to action taken on Agenda items for agenda item discussion only, and another Public Portion is held at the end of the meeting for general discussion. Individuals commenting from the audience will be limited to three minutes per person, and will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given five minutes to make the presentation for the group.

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PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

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CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council minutes:
April 17, 2014

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Recreation Commission Minutes - March 11, 2014
Watchung Historical Committee Minutes – March 12, 2014
Watchung Historical Committee – 2013 Annual Report, 2014 Strategic Plan
Tax Collector Report – March, 2014

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #11 - Township of Berkeley Heights 4/23/14 Notice of Public Hearing on proposed Land Use Ordinance c: M & C, TEA, TH, Pl. Board
- #12 - Somerset County Planning Board 4/21/14 Resolutions (3) adopting the County Investment Framework, the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, and the Trends and Indicators Report, as part of the Somerset County Master Plan Update c: M & C, TEA, TH, Pl. Board
- #13 - Township of Warren, Township of Bernards 4/28/14 Resolutions opposing Assembly Bill A2621 that would authorize County Government to appoint County Assessors for Taxes C: M & C, TEA, EK
- #14 - Andy Baldasarre 4/25/14 Letter of resignation as a member of the Recreation Commission C: M & C, TEA

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CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS: The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

R2:05/01/14 Resolution Opposing Proposed Legislation Authorizing a County Government to Appoint a County Tax Assessor or Mandate the Transfer of a Municipal Function to the County without Municipal Authorization

R3: Purchases Over \$2,000. – Grove Lock & Safe, Lawmen Supply Co. of N.J.

R4: Authorize Appointment of Administrative Assistant – Shelini Parikh

R5: Appointment to Village Center Preservation Commission – Anthony Addario

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NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion.

Introduction of Ordinance OR:14/08 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-15, TITLED 'PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS', OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG PROHIBITING PARKING ON LAKEVIEW TERRACE, MOUNTAIN BOULEVARD AND WASHINGTON DRIVE." Public Hearing to be held on May 15, 2014

R7:05/01/14 Introduction of OR:14/08 – Amend Code / Prohibited Parking: Portions of Lakeview Terrace, Mountain Boulevard, and Washington Drive

Introduction of Ordinance OR:14/09 entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-43.4, TITLED “POWERS AND DUTIES GENERALLY”, OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG TO AUTHORIZE THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE TO OPERATE THE TEXIER HOUSE MUSEUM.” Public Hearing to be held on May 15, 2014

R8:05/01/04 Introduction of OR:14/09 – Amend Code / Historical Committee to Operate Texier House Museum

R9: Authorize Execution of Employment Agreement – Watchung PBA / January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.

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ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled Council meeting will be held on May 15, 2014 at 7:30 P.M.